

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the above-identified application as indicated below:

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OILS WITH A HIGH VISCOSITY INDEX

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, Line 1:

Delete "claim 1 or".

Claim 4,

Line 1:

Delete "any one of claims 1 to 3" and insert --claim 2--.

Claim 5,

Line 1:

Delete "any one of claims 1 to 4" and insert --claim 2--.

Claim 6,

Line 1:

Delete "any one of claims 1 to 5" and insert --claim 4--.

Line 2:

Delete "the".

Claim 7,

Line 1:

Delete "any one of claims 1 to 6" and insert -- claim 1--.

Line 2:

Delete "formed by" and insert -- consisting of--.

Claim 8,

Line 1:

Delete "any one of claims 1 to 7" and insert --claim 1--.

Line 2:

After "range" insert --of--.